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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In the Office Action dated July 3, 2003, the Examiner has made final the restriction requirement between Species I and Species II, and objected to the drawings, specification and Claims 1 and 24, based on various informalities, and has rejected Claims 22-30 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. Moreover, the Examiner has rejected Claims 22, 23, 26, and 28 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b), and kindly indicated that Claims 1, 3-21, 24, 25, 27, 29, and 30 contain allowable subject matter. By this paper, the drawings and specification have been extensively revised and amended to more clearly describe that which the Applicants regard as the invention, and correct the obvious informalities, without introducing any new matter. All issues raised by the Examiner, relative to the drawings and specification, have been addressed. New sheets of drawings for Figures 2A, 2B, 6, and 8C have been submitted herewith. Since the Applicant has made amended changes to the full Specification, Claims, and Abstract, attached is a diskette containing a Microsoft Word document with the amended Application as presented in this Amendment to assist with the extensive changes. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the drawings and specification now comply with all USPTO rules and regulations.

Claims 1, 3-12, and 22-30 have been amended to more particularly point out and distinctly claim that which Applicants regard as the invention, and Claims 2 and 13-21 have been cancelled without prejudice. With the cancellation of Claim 2, the restriction requirement is considered moot since all claims remaining in the Application now read on both Species I and Species II. Claims 22-30 have been particularly amended so as to be presented in proper method claim form. Independent Claim 22 has been amended to include subject matter (similar to that found in Claim 1 relative to the fine bow correction being les than one pixel pitch) which has been indicated as being allowable. It is therefore respectfully submitted that Claims 1, 3-12, and 22-30, the claims remaining in this Application, as amended, are now allowable.

Applicants are not aware of any additional patents, publications, or other information not previously submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office which would be required under 37 C.F.R. §1.99.

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This Application is now believed to be in condition for favorable reconsideration and early allowance, and such actions are respectfully requested.

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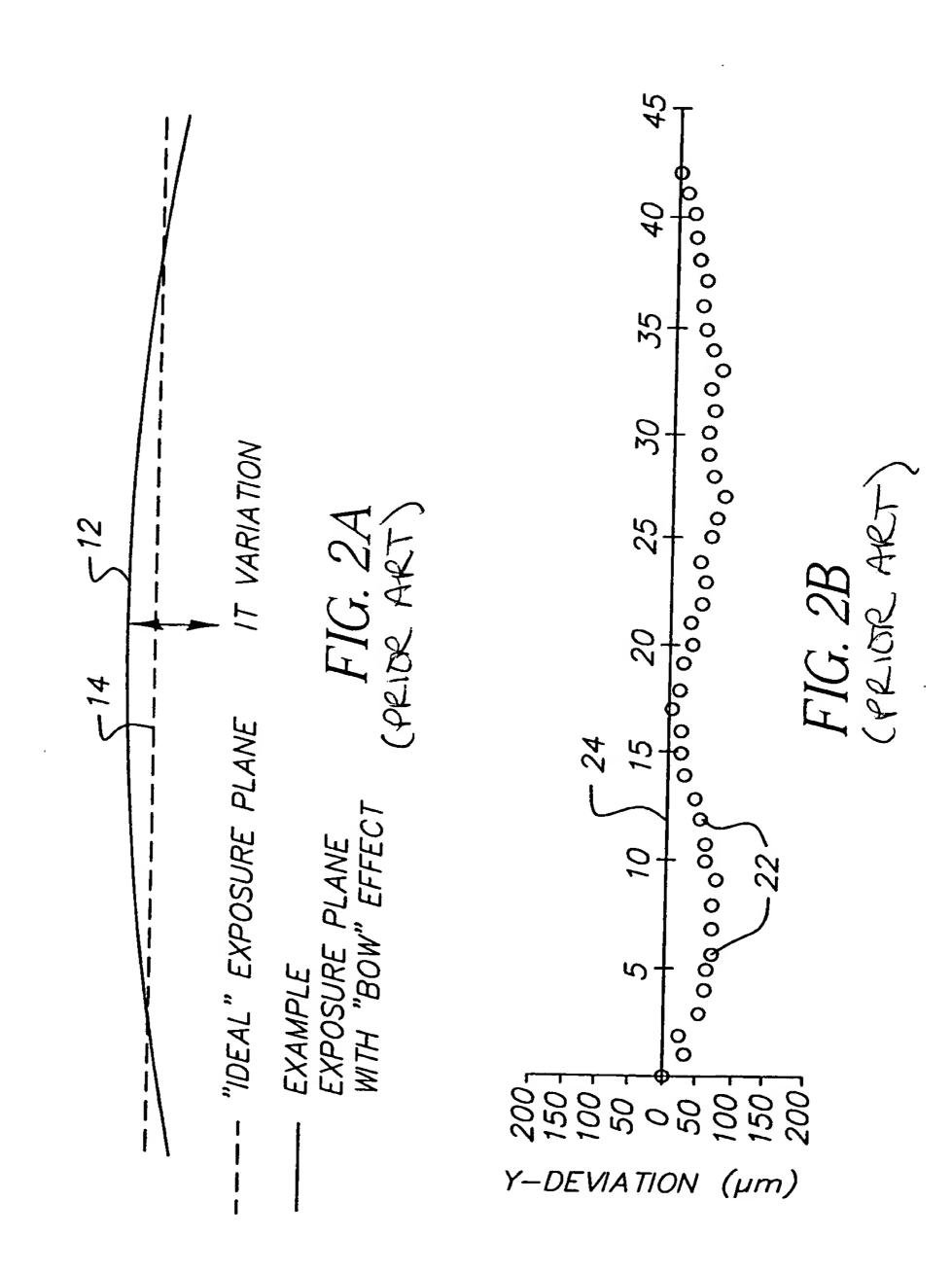
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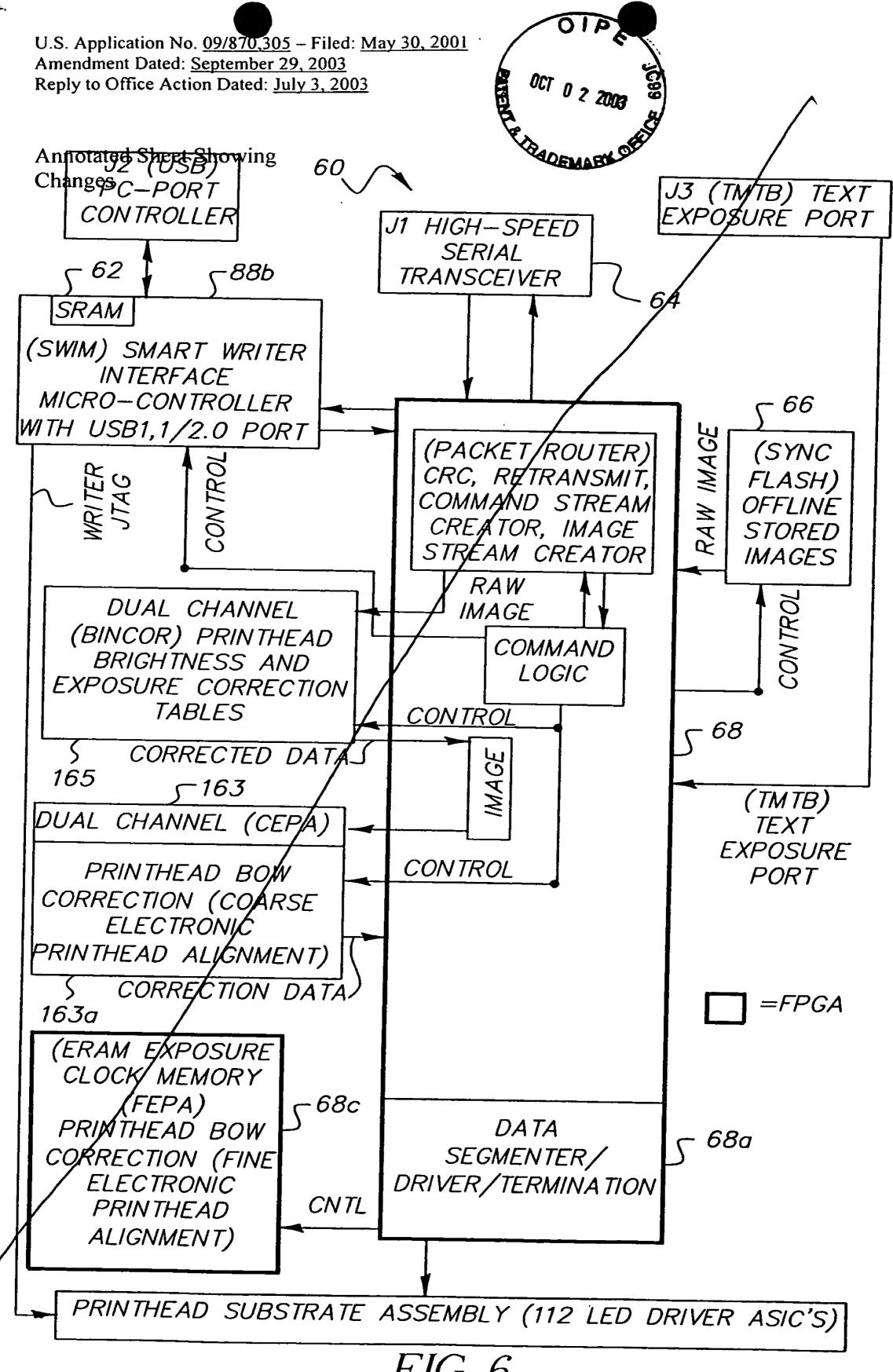


FIG. 6

